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1. TWENTY-SEVEN STUDENTS (PRIMARILY LIEUTENANT COLONELS AND MAJORS) FROM CHILEAN WAR SCHOOLS ARRIVED IN PERU JANUARY 20 FOR A FIVE-DAY VISIT. THE GROUP LEADER, COL. CARLOS MEDINA LOIS, REMARKED TO PRESS UPON DEPLANING IN LIMA THAT THE GROUP HAD COME TO PERU IN ORDER TO DEMONSTRATE THE INACCURACY OF "INFORMATION PRESENTING THE TWO COUNTRIES' RELATIONSHIP AS ANYTHING OTHER THAN THAT OF FRIENDSHIP AND BROTHERHOOD". THE CHILEAN CONTINGENT VISITED PERU'S WAR SCHOOLS AND MET WITH PRIME MINISTER ARBULU WHO RECALLED THE "CLOSE TIES OF FRIEND-SHIP UNITING THE PEOPLES OF PERU AND CHILE."

2. PRESS COVERAGE FOCUSED ON MUTUAL EXPRESSIONS OF PERUVIAN/ CHILEAN FRIENDSHIP AS BOTH PERU AND CHILE CONTINUE THEIR PUBLIC EFFORTS TO DENY ALLEGED MILITARY TENSIONS AND TO PRESENT A PEACEFUL INTERNATIONAL IMAGE. THIS VISIT COINCIDES WITH THAT TO CHILE OF ADMIRAL ALFREDO PARODI GALLIANI (DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE AND BROTHER OF NAVAL MINISTER) WHO, ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, COMMENTED IN VALPARAISO THAT HIS VISIT SIGNIFIED THE INCREASING TIES OF FRIENDSHIP AND BROTHERHOOD BETWEEN THE
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PERUVIAN AND CHILEAN NAVIES.

PARODI ALSO CLAIMED THAT THE EXCELLENT RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO NAVIES WAS EXEMPLIFIED BY RENEWED JOIN CHILEAN/PERUVIAN NAVAL MANEUVERS WHICH HE STATED WOULD BE CARRIED OUT THIS YEAR UNDER THE U.S.- SPONSORED UNITAS EXERCISE. FULL PRESS COVERAGE ON THE SAME DAY OF THE CHILEAN WAR ACADEMY VISIT, THE PARODI

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VISIT TO CHILE, AND AN INVITATION FROM CHILEAN FIRST MILITARY REGION OFFICIALS TO MEET IN ARICA WITH THEIR PERUVIAN COUNTERPARTS IN ORDER TO DISCUSS MATTERS OF COMMON INTEREST ALL POINT TO PUBLIC EFFORTS OF BOTH GOVERNMENTS TO USE VISITS AND INTERCHANGES AS EVIDENCE THAT RECENT REPORTS OF HIGHTENED TENSIONS ARE INACCURATE.
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